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To: Chief, Foreign Broadcast Information Branch

From: Chief, London Bureau
Foreign Broadcast Information Service.

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Subject: Report of activities of London Bureau covering
month ending 15 February 1948.

I. Implementation of recently proposed plans and policies.

At the request of the Washington office, inquiries were
instituted in London relative to communications facilities of Cable and
Wireless Ltd., and subsequently recommendations were cabled from this
outpost covering communications arrangements at the future [redacted]
location of F.B.I.S.

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Arrangements were completed for an exchange of flimsies of
monitored broadcasts between this outpost and [redacted] Based on this
exchange, conversations will shortly take place between F.B.I.S. London,
and the [redacted] aimed at plugging gaps in future
monitoring and the elimination of unnecessary duplication.

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II. Accomplishments of overall mission including firmly established
individual objectives.

From the standpoint of wordage, traffic during the month under
review rose slightly from the previous month's figure. The file
to Washington reached a total of 846,462 words (previous month
780,291 words). Of this, 5,322 words were sent via Western Union and the
remaining 841,140 words over Army Signal Corps facilities. In addition,
268,191 words from [redacted] were relayed to Washington.

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The report section filed 79,450 words of material during
the month to each of the following: G-2 EUCOM, OIC OMGUS, and G-2 USFA.
The American Embassy in Paris received 37,640 words.

III. Proposals for improvement.

Plans have been made for servicing key members of American
delegations to the London parleys on Germany and Austria due to
convene later in February. The regular daily reports on Russia and
Germany will be made available to these officials. In addition, the
report writers covering Russia, Germany and the eastern European countries
will include as a section of each of their reports a resume of reaction
to the London meetings. These sections will be taken from the reports in
London, collated into a separate report, and distributed.

In conjunction with the United States Information Service, with
whom F.B.I.S. maintains a joint London communications section, F.B.I.S.
will move its London offices on 20 February into the American Embassy
building.

At the request of OIC OMGUS, a new client for all of the
output of the report section will be added to the latter's list:
Director of Intelligence, OMGUS, Berlin.

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Chief, London Bureau, FBIS.

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